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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

**FOERSTER et al.**

**Serial No.: 10/734,671**

Filed: December 12, 2003

For: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR  
DEFINING AND MARKING TISSUE

Group Art Unit: 3736

Examiner: Anuradha Roy

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Commissioner for Patents  
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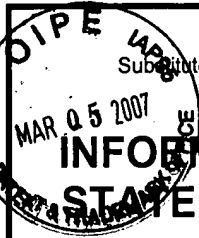
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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document No.	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)			
	1.	US-4,875,478	10/1989	Chen	
	2.	US-5,024,727	08/1991	Campbell	
	3.	US-5,342,283	08/1994	Kornberg	

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**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Information Disclosure Statement	180

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